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Course Outline for a United States Intelligence Staff College

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Objectives of the United States Intelligence Staff College.

In general, the USISC has the objective of expanding the outlook of the senior intelligence officer to enable him to 1) perform his present functions more efficiently, and 2) progress to more responsible positions in the field of intelligence. In specific terms, the objectives are:

- l. to develop in the senior intelligence officer a comprehensive understanding of intelligence, its relation to other functions, and how intelligence work is conducted in the U.S. Government; thus enabling him to more effectively relate the activities of his own organization to those of other intelligence organizations, and organizations which intelligence supports.
- 2. to give these officers am opportunity to examine critically in an Objective environment current and past approaches to intelligence problems.
- 3. to broaden the contacts of these officers through centact with other students, and guest speakers; thus stimulating and expanding mutual understanding between organisations and organisational components.
- 4. to expand the field of intelligence literature through exploitation of guest and staff presentations, and through student research.

Course Curriculus.

There are described below four major units of instruction for an 18week program. For each of these units there is a statement of unit objective, instructional techniques which can be used for the unit, specific subjects or sub-units and the approximate time which should be devoted to each unit.

Longth of Course.

Unit I & weeks
Unit II 8-9 weeks
Unit III & weeks
Unit IV 2 weeks

18-19 weeks

Unit I - U.S. Policy and Policy Pormulation

Objective: to examine U.S. policy and position in key non-Communist areas of the world, and policy and position with regard to Red China, the USER and East European satellites; to examine the mechanism for national security policy formulation, and the contributions of various governmental organisations to policy formulation.

Instructional <u>Method</u>: lecture; discussion; seminar; study of legislation, official decuments, and other reading; case study

Specific Sabjects to be Treated:

- 1. History and Evaluation of Mational Security Policy Formulation to 1947.
- 2. Development, Structure, and Operation of Mational Security Council
- 3. Role and Operation of MSC Flanning Board
- L. Role and Operation of Operations Coordinating Board
- 5. Note and Responsibility of the Department of State in Policy Formulation
- 6. Hole and Hesponsibility of the Department of Defense in Folicy in Policy Portugation
- 7. Office of Defense Mobilisation Hole in Mational Policy Formulation
- 5. Other Dovernment Agency Participation in National Policy Formulation (Sudget, Treasury, Justice, Civil Defense, etc.)
- 9. Role of Congress in National Security Policy Formulation
- 10. The Intelligence Contribution to Mational Security Policy Formulation
- 11. Case Study: follow through of a policy case from origin to implementation
- 12. An Analysis of U.S. Policy Position with Regard to the Soviet Union
- 13. An Analysis of U.S. Pelicy Position with Regard to the European Satellites
- lh. An Analysis of U.S. Policy Position with Regard to Red China

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15. An Analysis of U.S. Policy Position with Regard to ______(Specific key areas of the non-Communist world)

Supplementary reading for this unit would include study of pertinent legislation, executive orders, MSC policy papers, USISC staff prepared material, and publications pertinent to national policy planning, U.S. foreign policy and area background material as appropriate.

Approximate time: 4 weeks

Unit II - Intelligence Background, Concepts and Organisation

Objective: to examine historical approaches to the intelligence aspect of national planning, how various foreign powers have in the past and currently utilize intelligence; to examine in depth current views of the role intelligence plays in the U.S. Government; and intelligence policy, and the structure, functions, and activities of the major intelligence units of the Government; and to systematically and thoroughly examine intelligence policy directives.

Instructional Method: lecture, discussion, seminar, field trips, study of official documents, and other pertinent reading material.

Specific Subjects to be Treated:

- 1. An Historical Appraisal of the Development and Use of Intelligence
- 2. In Examination of the Approach and Use of Intelligence by Great Britain
- 3. In Examination of the Approach and Use of Intelligence by Germany
- L. An Examination of the Approach and Use of Intelligence by Japan
- 5. An Examination of the Approach and Use of Intelligence by Russia, Pre- and Post Revolution
- 6. The Development of the Intelligence Function in the United States Government through World Wer II
 - NOTE: 7-11 would include an examination and seminar discussion of pertinent intelligence policy directives
- 7. The "Intelligence Community": IAS, PIB and the Subcommittee Structure
- 3. The Basic-Current Estimate Approach to Intelligence

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- 9. The National-Departmental Approach to Intelligence
- 10. The Strategic Intelligence Approach to Intelligence
- 11. The Combat Intelligence or "Cycle" Approach to Intelligence
- 12. National Intelligence Objectives
 - NOTE: items 13-21 would be bandled partially by lecture, but the primary instructional device would be reading followed by seminar discussions supplemented by field trips
- 13. Organisation and Functions of CIA
- li. Organization and Functions of the Bureau of Intelligence and Mesearch, State
- 15. Organisation and Functions of BI, J-2, Joint Staff, JOS
- 16. Organization and Functions of the Intelligence Components of the Department of the Army.
- 17. Organization and Functions of the Intelligence Components of the Department of the Many
- 18. Organization and Functions of the Intelligence Components of the Cepartment of the Air Porce
- 19. Organization and Punctions of the Office of Intelligence, AEC
- 20. Organization and Functions of the FBI's Commette Intelligence
- 21. Orientation to the Intelligence Capabilities of non-USIB U.S. Novernment Agencies (Commerce, REM, Labor, DNS, Postmaster-General, WASA, USIA, etc.)
- 22. 0.8. Government intelligence Collection Capability (Seminer and Sxercise)
- 23. U.S. Government Intelligence Production Capability (Seminar and Exercise)
- 24. U.S. Government Intelligence Depositories (including coverage, systems, procedures for use) (Seminar)
- 25. Information Channels of the Intelligence Community (including requirements for information and intelligence, processing, dissemination procedures and methods) (Seminar)



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- 26. The U.S. Government Intelligence Mechanism for Early and Advance Marning
- 27. The Mational Intelligence Survey Program
- 28. National Intelligence Estimates

Approximate time: U weeks

NOTE: Depending on sensitivity, discussion of special intelligence, clandestine collection, and covert action programs could be included on an orientation basis, more completely, or not covered. Inclusion of all of the subjects on an orientation basis would probably extend this unit by I week.

Unit III - Intelligence Management

Objective: to review management principles and modern management techniques used by intelligence organizations, and by other organizations which have application to the field of intelligence; to examine some of the principal management problems of intelligence organizations with emphasis on how security affects management; and to apply the above to practical intelligence management problems.

instructional Method: lecture, discussion, seminars, field trips, reading.

Specific Subjects to be Treated:

- 1. Trinciples of Management
- 2. Administrative Requirements of an Intelligence Organization (comparative study of administrative structures of intelligence organizations and the principles behind the organization.)
- 3. Personnel Problems in an Intelligence Organization
- h. Offset of Compartmentation and other Security Factors on Intelligence Ganagement
- 5. Training as a Factor in Intelligence Management
- 6. Logistical Problems in an Intelligence Organization
- 7. Finance Problems in an Intelligence Organization
- 8. Machanization of Intelligence and Support Functions
- 9. Integrated Management Exercise (involving policy and implementation) (40-60 hours)



Approximate time: 4 weeks

Init IV - Individual Research Papers

Approximately 80 hours will be available to the students to conduct research and prepare individual papers on specialized topics related to the course curriculum. The papers may be studies in the field of intelligence, such as policy, procedures, coordination, or other; or studies in intelligence subject matter fields. In the latter part of the program, time will be alloted to the presentation of selected papers to the student body. Normally students will choose a topic early in the program. Each student will conduct research and prepare his paper under the guidance of a faculty advisor.

These papers will be useful in several ways. Through preparation of the paper in an academic environment, the student has an opportunity to examine intelligence problems from a detached point of view. Over a period of time these papers would constitute an excellent critique of different aspects of the U.S. intelligence effort, as well as make a substantial addition to the field of intelligence literature.

Approximate time: 2 weeks (80 hours)